

Absolute Rating Excellent
Improvement Rating Good

Number of primary schools with students like ours: 7.
The absolute ratings for those schools ranged from excellent to excellent. For improvement ratings, the range was from good to excellent.

RATINGS OVER A FOUR-YEAR PERIOD

	Absolute Rating	Improvement Rating
2001	Excellent	Good
2002		
2003		
2004		

PERFORMANCE RATING CRITERIA

Student attendance rate	96%
Pupil – Teacher Ratio	16 to 1
Percent of parents attending conferences	99%
Days of professional development in early childhood devoted exclusively to knowledge and skills in working with children less than eight years old	5.8

Type of accreditation

(More than one may apply)

- ☐ Not pursuing accreditation
- ☐ Conducting a self-study
- ☒ State Department of Education
- ☒ Southern Association of Colleges and Schools
- ☐ National Association for the Education of Young Children
- ☐ American Montessori Society

SCHOOL PROFILE

INDICATORS OF SCHOOL PERFORMANCE

	Our School	Change From Last Year	Schools with Students like ours	Median Primary School
SCHOOL				
• Dollars spent per student	\$4,963	N/A	\$5,284	\$5,569
• Prime instructional time	89.5%	Down from 90.6%	89.5%	89.6%
• Student-teacher ratio	16.4 to 1	N/A	18.6 to 1	18.5 to 1
STUDENTS (n=651)				
• Attendance Rate	96.0%	Down from 96.4%	95.6%	95.7%
• First graders who attended full day kindergarten	99.5%	99.5%	95.7%	96.2%
• Meeting grade 1 and 2 readiness standards	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
• Retention rate	2.3%	Up from 0.5%	6.9%	5.9%
TEACHERS (n=45)				
• Professional Development days per teacher	12.6 Days	Up from 9.2	8.0 Days	7.9 Days
• Attendance Rate	96.1%	Down from 96.4%	95.5%	95.1%
• Teachers with advanced degrees	53.3%	Up from 52.2%	34.1%	40.9%
• Continuing contract teachers	84.4%	Down from 87.0%	81.8%	81.8%
• Teachers with out-of-field permits	0.0%	No change	0.0%	0.0%
• Teachers returning from the previous school year	91.8%	Up from 90.5%	87.7%	87.4%
• Average teacher salary	\$35,293	Up 5.0%	\$36,071	\$36,605

SCHOOL FACTS

	Our School	Change From Last Year	Schools with Students like ours	Median Primary School
SCHOOL				
• Percentage of expenditures spent on teacher salaries	71.2%	N/A	65.7%	66.3%
• Principal's years at the school	7.0	N/A	5.0	4.0
• Parents attending conferences	99.0%	N/A	94.5%	94.5%
• Opportunities in the arts	Good	N/A	Good	Good
STUDENTS				
• Older than usual for grade	N/A	N/A	0.6%	0.5%
• Suspended or expelled	0	N/A	0	0
• With disabilities other than speech	2.1%	Up from 1.6%	2.1%	2.6%





PRINCIPAL'S / SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL REPORT

At Cheraw Primary School learning is celebrated through a developmentally appropriate curriculum. Among our accomplishments are the following:

- * 94% of first grade students scored "Ready" on the CSAB test.
- * 87% of first grade students scored on or above grade level in reading according to the Reading Recovery Diagnostic Survey.
- * 92% of second grade students scored on or above grade level in reading according to the JOHN's Reading Inventory.
- * 20% of second grade students qualified for the district's third grade Gifted and Talented Program.
- * Three students were chosen to participate in the S.C. Young Writers' Conference.
- * The school was named a S.C. Exemplary Writing Award recipient.
- * Cheraw Primary is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools and is deregulated.
- * Cheraw Primary won the District Award for the most volunteer hours (6,409).

Seven teachers were awarded National Board Certification. Five additional teachers are in the process of becoming certified. We have 12 teachers participating in the South Carolina Reading Initiative.

All of our teachers have participated in staff development in the areas of Thinking Maps, literacy and mathematics. Areas of curricular emphasis during this year include technology (increase in workstations), literacy groups (small group instruction), Reading Recovery, Character Education (Star Students/Terrific Kids), and math (After School Tutorial Program). Ninety-four percent of the teachers have attended a state conference.

Parents, businesses, and community leaders support our school through the PTO, School Improvement Council, Volunteer Tutorial Program, and Arts in Education. Through the efforts of our staff, parents, and community, Cheraw Primary students are prepared for the future.

Principal Sandra Redfearn

EVALUATIONS BY TEACHERS AND STUDENTS

Percent	Teachers	Students	Parents
Satisfied with learning environment	100.0	N/A	(Avail. 2002)
Satisfied with social and physical environment	100.0	N/A	
Satisfied with home-school relations	97.7	N/A	

DEFINITIONS OF SCHOOL RATING TERMS

- Excellent** – School performance substantially exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.
- Good** – School performance exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.
- Average** – School performance meets the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.
- Below Average** – School is in jeopardy of not meeting the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.
- Unsatisfactory** – School performance fails to meet the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

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Cheraw Primary
321 High Street
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Grades K-2 Primary School

Enrollment: 651 Students

Principal

Mrs. Sandra D. Redfearn 843-921-1020

Superintendent

Holly Kenneth Dinkins 843-623-2175

Board Chair

Jerry DuBose Holley 843-335-8420



THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Annual School
Report Card

2001

School Grade:
Excellent



South Carolina Performance Goal:

By 2010, South Carolina's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the five fastest improving systems in the country.

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